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SUBJECT: REACTION VIETNAM

1. BERLINGSKE TIDENDE (INDEPENDENT CONSERVATIVE) QUOTE
IT IS SHOCK FOR US FINALLY TO HAVE TO ADMIT DEFEAT WHICH
HAS FOR SO LONG BEEN PREYING ON AMERICAN MIND ... WASTE-
FUL SELF-EXAMINATION OF MOTIVES MAY FOR SOME TIME
UNDERMINE THAT DETERMINATION AND CONFIDENCE US CANNOT
DO WITHOUT IN ITS RESPONSIBLE POSITVN OF POWER. IT
IS SHOCK EFFECT WHICH WILL GRADUALLY DISAPPEAR, BECAUSE
AMERICAN NATURE HAS ADMIRABLE GIFT OF REGAINING STRENGTH
AFTER SETBACKS ... IT IS VERY LIKELY THAT THIS TIME U.S.
WILL NOT REGAIN ITS INNER STRENGTH UNTIL COUNTRY HAS
BEEN THROUGH POLITICAL PROCESS OF CREATION WHICH
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CONSTITUTES ... ESSENTIAL EFFECT
OF SELF-EXAMINATION WILL BE NEW EVALUATION OF US FOREIGN
POLICY I.E. REVISION OF US FAR EAST POLICY WHICH WILL
DEFINE US OBLIGATIONS SO CLEARLY THAT EVEN CONGRESS WILL
BE INCLINDED TO APPROVE UNQUOTE.

2. POLITIKEN (INDEPENDENT RADICAL) QUOTE EVERY TIME
WASHINGTON TRIED TO CREATE RELIABLE ADMINISTRATION IN
SAIGON, IT ENDED UP WITH EXTREMELY REACTIONARY DICTOATORS--
US ALWAYS LEFT POSSIBILITIES OF NEGOTIATIONS UNTRIED
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AND BETRAYED GROUPS WHICH WANTED PEACE ... KISSINGER

TALKS ABOUT REVISION OF US POLICY. BUT THAT
NECESSITATES QUITE DIFFERENT WILL, ONE THAT UNDERSTANDS
EXISTENCE OF POOR WORLD. THIS IS FIRST DEMAND OF SELF-
EXAMINATION UNQUOTE.

3. AKTUELT (SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC) US HAS BECOME SMALLER
GREAT POWER LATELY, BUT NOT NECESSARILY WORSE. WITH
LAST HEADLONG EVACUATION FROM SAIGON ... POLICY HAS
BROKEN DOWN - BUT IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN WRONG POLICY, AND
END TO IT WILL NEITHER BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET NOR WITH
MALICE LEADERSHIP OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY MUST HERE-
AFTER BE TURNED OVER TO LESS COMPROMISED PERSON THAN
KISSINGER: IT SHOULD DRAW LESSON FROM TRUE LIMITS OF
AMERICAN STRENGTH AND DEVELOP MORE CONFIDENT US-EUROPEAN
RELATIONSHIP UNQUOTE.

4. KRISTELIGT DAGBLAD (INDEPENDENT RELIGIOUS) QUOTE
US HAS LEARNED FROM VIETNAM WAR BUT IT HAS BEEN SLOW
AND PAINFUL PROCESS DOMINO THEORY IS OUT. CONSE-
QUENCES OF THIS THEORY HAVE PROBABLY HIT US INTERNAL
POLICY HARDER AND DEEPER THAN IT HAS CHANGED WORLD
SITUATION .. THERE IS NO REASON TODAY TO CONTINUE TALK
ABOUT "BLAME FOR WAR". NO REASON AT ALL TO TALK ABOUT
IT IN PART OF WORLD WHICH, TOGETHER WITH U.S. IS FACING
COMMUNISM OR TO CARRY WOOD TO FIRE OF INTERNAL AMERICAN
UNCERTAINTY WHERE AMERICAN CREDITLITY IN WORLD POLITICS
HAS BECOME SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION. VIETNAM WAR NEVER
BECAME SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION. VIETNAM WAR NEVER
BECAME WAR OF US PEOPLE, ONLY FOREIGN POLICY OF ITS
LEADERS AND THE SOONER IT IS MADE CLEAR IN US ITSELF
THAT THERE IS STILL NEED OF JOINT COMOCRATIC DEFENSE
OF FREEDOM AGAINST NOT ONLY COMMUNIST BUT AGAINST ANY
ANTI-DEMOCRATIC AND IDEOLOGICAL POWER IN WORLD, THE
STRONGER THIS UNITY WILL BE UNQUOTE.

5. JYLLANDS-POSTEN (INDEPENDENT CONSERVATIVE) QUOTE
SOUTH VIETNAM HAS BEEN LIBERATED ACCORDING TO
COMMUNISTS AND THEIR NAIVE FOLLOWERS AMONG THEM
UNFORTUNATELY AND SINCE YESTERDAY DENMARK'S PRIME
MINISTER. IT IS KIND OF LIBERATION FROM WHICH MANY DIE.
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FORMER BALTIC COUNTRIES AND SEVERAL EAST EUROPEAN
COUNTRIES ARE NEARBY EXAMPLES. NEXT WILL COME SOUTHEAST
ASIA, AND IT WILL PROBABLY NOT TAKE LONG. .. CHANGING
REGIMES IN SAIGON HAVE RIGHTLY BEEN CRITICIZED, BUT
SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE HAS NOW, PROBABLY FOREVER, LOST
ALL POSSIBILITIES OF GETTING A REASONABLY DEMOCRATIC
AND HUMAN SYSTEM UNQUOTE.
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